

REMARKS

A Notice of Allowability (Part of Paper No. Mailed date 20080107) was mailed from the USPTO for the subject application on January 25, 2008. Claims 14-24 and 26-28 were cancelled by Examiner's amendment authorized on January 7, 2008. (See, Detailed Action, attached to the Notice of Allowability, page 2, lines 4-10).

Subsequently, a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) was filed on March 14, 2008 to submit an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) prior to payment of the issue fee.

Claims 1-13 and 25 are pending.

Claims 1-13 are amended herein to improve the form of the claims. Support for the amendments is found, for example, in FIGs. 1, 19 and 20, page 17 and page 37, line 6 - page 39, line 3 of the specification. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

There being no outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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